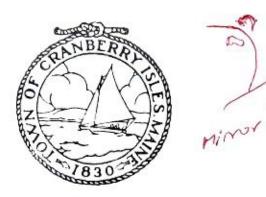
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# NOTICE OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

A Board of Selectmen's Meeting will be held at 08:45 AM, Tuesday, 6 August 2002, at the Great Cranberry Community Center, Great Cranberry Island

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#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Review minutes of July 17th, 2002 Selectmen's Board Meeting
- 2. Action Items from Special Town Meeting (if any)

8-21-02 5pm

- -3. Discussion with Assessor and status of revaluation
  - 4. Public parking lot usage on Great and Little Cranberry Islands
- yeu . Co 5. Islesford Town Wharf Closeout (End of Contract) 8-20-02 10:30
  - 6. Selectmen's Reports
  - 7. Financial Warrants
    - 8. Adjournment, next meeting date

### Public Attendance is Welcomed

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TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE 6 AUGUST 2002

Start time: 0847 AM

Audience: Selectmen: Richard Beal, Denise McCormick, David Stainton

Town Clerk: Frances J. Bartlett

Phil Whitney, Eve Harrison, Chris White, Ruth Westphal, Barbara Myers,

six Islesford summer residents

#### **AGENDA**

## REVIEW MINUTES OF JULY 17TH 2002 SELECTMEN'S BOARD MEETING (ITEM 1):

Motion of David with Second by Denise to accept the July 17th minutes.

#### New Business:

- Barbara Myers: Changing table at the bathrooms particularly in Islesford.
- 2. Emily Axelrod: Proposed motion to have property tax payers to vote on issues related to land purchase. Henry Isaacs proposed the article and wanted to inquire further of possible legislative acts. David Stainton suggested that this group put together a petition reflecting the concerns of this group. Robin Richman asked if the momentum is to draw energy away from the main issue or something else? Henry Isaacs believes some type of mechanism needs to be put into place to address overall town issues. Richman: suggest that inclusiveness be included into the process by putting together a petition type of document to reflect their views. David Stainton believes separation of the two issues important, but does encourage people to express their views, pro or con. Jeff Crafts: Of the group bringing this letter to the Selectmen, how many were at the Special Selectmen's Meetings and the Town meeting? Only two attended. Jeff stated that the Town Meeting represented more than 200 taxpayers coming together to reflect their views and to vote. Chris White spoke of the Great Cranberry Futures Group and its efforts to address town problems. The Town Clerk stated that she had

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contacted the Maine Municipal Association for a legal opinion and was advised that opening the voting process to persons who were not registered to vote in the Town was illegal. The Selectmen took no further action on the request of those who submitted the unsigned petition.

### **ACTION ITEMS FROM SPECIAL TOWN MEETING (ITEM 2):**

### A. DISBAND "LAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE":

Phil Whitney discussed operation of the committee, visited 21 properties with nomination of the Manset property. Denise suggested that committee should not be disbanded but kept together to continue looking should this Manset property not be purchased. Wait for the September Selectmen's Meeting to revisit the issue. AGENDA ITEM

#### **B. APPOINT "LAND OPERATION COMMITTEE":**

Hire Gary Freedman of Bar Harbor to act as a Grant obtainer: \$2500 wanted for 50 hours work. Suggestion made by Barbara Myers of Great Cranberry Island.

Eve Harrison of Little Cranberry Island stated that the Town should hire a professional to look for grant funds. Frances Bartlett, Town Treasurer suggested that the Administration Account could handle this expense. Phil Whitney of Great Cranberry also spoke in favor of hiring. *Motion* by Selectman David Stainton that the Chairman be authorized to hire Gary Freedman to examine grant money opportunities for this project. Seconded by Denise McCormick. Friedman Associates in Bar Harbor, 288-8080, was called and hired by the Chairman later this date.

## C. ESTABLISH 21 AUGUST 2002 FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING: ISLESFORD NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE AT 5:00 PM

<u>Motion</u> of Chairman Richard Beal that a Special Town Meeting be called for 21 August 2002 at the Islesford Neighborhood House, Little Cranberry Island for 5:00 PM to address the purchase of the Pritham Singh property in Southwest Harbor, Maine. The exact language of the Warrant article to be provided by the Eaton-Peabody bond attorney to meet requirements of the Maine Municipal Bond Bank that would be asked to address authorization of general obligation bonds. David Stainton seconded and with Denise approving.

## DISCUSSION WITH ASSESSOR AND STATUS OF REVALUATION (ITEM 3):

Market data collection has begun. Mr. Blanchette will take a section of 15-20 houses and review them. Mr. Blanchette projects being completed in May 2003 for a fee of \$50,000 with \$10,000 already paid. He stated that high value properties have begun selling again since June 2002. He also advised the

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Selectmen that Owen Roberts, Treasurer of the Cranberry Isles Real Estate Trust has made formal application that CIRT properties to be made exempt from taxation. Chris White, President CIRT was asked to get a copy of the CIRT charter and federal IRS 501(c)3 statement to Assessor Garry Blanchette. The Board of Selectmen recommended favorably that this exemption be approved by the Assessor provided all documentation in support is provided and meets the Assessor's requirements. Richard Beal and Phil Whitney spoke to the issue of first refusal on purchase of property coming on the market for sale in an effort for the Town to be aware of land coming on the market within the Town. The other Selectmen suggested taking up the subject with the Town Attorney for an opinion prior to any decision.

## PUBLIC PARKING LOT USAGE ON GREAT & LITTLE CRANBERRY ISLANDS (ITEM 4):

Selectman David Stainton spoke of his concern about abandoned vehicles in the Town's public parking lot and the need to get rid of them. Must use the motor vehicle statutes for abandoned vehicles on town property. Need a Town ordinance for parking. Put on September agenda

## ISLESFORD TOWN WHARF CLOSEOUT (END OF CONTRACT) (ITEM 5):

Signed the next to last financial payment and awaiting final punch list with date of August 20 at 1030AM. Selectman David Stainton point of contact and coordinator of this project.

#### SELECTMEN'S REPORTS (ITEM 6):

- a. Bill from Sheriff's Office, \$200 turned over to Frances Bartlett Town Clerk
- b. Chesterfield Associates bid to make Gt Cranberry wharf repairs for \$10,750. Do a letter of acceptance contract: action Chairman
- c. Josh Hardy, letter of support for public law enforcement to be posted. Slashing of tires, party at Sand Beach, Sunday morning at 1:30AM last.

#### FINANCIAL WARRANTS (ITEM 7):

School \$21,801.34 Bills \$1,334.85

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Hancock Cty

\$200.00

Bills

\$121,515.15

Total:

\$144,851.34

### **ADJOURNMENT, NEXT MEETING DATE (ITEM 8):**

Time meeting concluded:\_11:42AM, Next meeting date is: 3 September 2002 at the Great Cranberry Island Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard F. Beal

Chairman

Board of Selectmen